



# News Advisory

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**TO:** Media Outlets

**RE:** Board of Pardons and Paroles Hearings

**LOCATION:** McDougall-Walker Correctional Institution, Suffield, CT

**TIME:** 9 A.M. (Unless otherwise specified)

- The portion of the hearing dealing with inmate of interest to the media shall begin promptly at 9 a.m. at the visiting room of the McDougall building. (Follow signs to farthest building in the complex) The room will be open beginning at 8:30 a.m. Immediately after the hearing is concluded the Board will take a 20-minute recess to allow the media to leave the facility and prison property.
- Any member of the news media who desires to attend the hearing must contact the Connecticut Department of Correction, Office of Public Information, (Stacy Smith, 860-692-7780) no later than two days prior to the hearing. You must provide your full name, date of birth and affiliation so that a standard background check can be conducted. The Department will refuse admission for failure to seek credentials within the allotted time period, failure to provide the required information or based on the findings of the background check.
- Due to the need to set aside seating for the public and other interested parties, media seating will be limited to 25, one per media outlet, on the basis of the order of requested credentials.
- At the facility, (Directions are attached at the bottom of this advisory) you will be required to present valid photo identification and successfully pass through a metal detector in compliance with Connecticut General Statutes 18-81v. Failure to successfully pass through the metal detector will result in your being denied admission.

- Cell phones and pagers must be left in your vehicle. Tape recorders will be permitted.
- Any interviews with those present at the hearing must be conducted off prison property. Due to time and security constraints, interviews will not be allowed after the hearing in the hearing room, the facility lobby, parking lot or on prison property.
- The parking of television live trucks for the purpose of conducting live shots will not be permitted on prison property.
- The hearing will be videotaped on a pool basis. Real time video dubbing will not be permitted.
- Still photography will be pooled and limited to one fixed position camera, (no motor drive, no flash)
- Information about the Board of Pardons and Paroles is available at [www.ct.gov/doc](http://www.ct.gov/doc), through the left-hand tool bar link. Additional questions about parole eligibility, procedures, etc. should be referred to the Board of Pardons and Paroles at 203-805-6605.
- Failure to abide by the direction of correctional personnel or the Board of Pardons and Paroles will result in immediate expulsion from the correctional facility and may result in arrest and prosecution.

### **Directions:**

**MacDougall-Walker Correctional Institution**  
**1153 East Street South**  
**Suffield, Connecticut 06080**  
**(860)627-2100**

#### ***From Hartford:***

Take I-91 north to exit 42. Take a left at the light, onto route 159 north and continue for 2-1/2 miles. Take a left (before the railroad tracks) and follow the signs to MacDougall-Walker.

#### ***From I-84 East (Danbury, Newtown and Waterbury):***

Take I-84 east to I-91 north. Then follow the above instructions.

#### ***From I-91 South:***

Take I-91 south to exit 47W (route 190). Take a left at the light (route 159 south) and continue for several miles. Take a left (right after the railroad tracks) and follow the signs to MacDougall-Walker Correctional Institution.

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